

FAIL TO SPURN TALK OF PEACE

Government May Consider
Proposal If Assurances
Are Forthcoming.

If Germany is prepared to offer the restoration of Belgium, France and Serbia the way will be open to peace conversation among the allies.

Washington believes that, though no matter from what source the offer from Germany comes, it will be considered, provided it is authentic.

Can Gain No More.

There are diplomats here almost rabid in their thirst for vengeance against Germany. These men admit that the restoration of the conquered territories is about all that the allies can hope to win through force of arms.

If Germany is willing to offer these things, the country of reaching agreement upon the other important objects of the war is at least as good as it would be after a conclusive termination of combat.

Leave It to President.

There has been no formal expression to this effect. Officials and diplomats continue to maintain the most guarded silence. Senator Lewis, administration spokesman in the Upper House, yesterday embodied this attitude in a resolution declaring that all matters of peace and war must be left to the President.

But a careful checking of the peace proposals as outlined in dispatches from Rome with previous administration assurances shows careful weighing of comments from semi-official sources leaves no other conclusion to be drawn than this:

That Germany has apparently put forth a feint and that the feint has not been rebuffed.

May Come from Spain.

No official information reached here yesterday as to the actual formal presentation of the peace note to this country.

It is generally expected that it will come either through Spain or through one of the Catholic South American republics—probably the latter.

It was stated at the Spanish Embassy that nothing had been heard there of the transmission of a note from the Pope. In this connection the internal troubles in Spain, making it undesirable for King Alfonso to assume too close relationship with the Catholic party, were recalled and it is not considered probable that the note will come through Spain.

German Repentance.

The attitude of deference toward the suggestion of peace talk from the Holy Father is looked upon as the expression of the feeling that if Germany will now guarantee her repentance by the return of the things her diabolical gains for her, the United States and the other allies cannot but listen.

There has been no slackening of preparations for war, any more than was at other times of peace. The preparation of the new army and the navy is going forward apace; but it may be said again, the suggestion of peace has met with no formal rebuff.

Solution Seen.

The status quo ante difficulty was solved by one semi-official suggestion yesterday. It has been pointed out in many quarters, including London dispatches, that any offer of peace which contemplates a return to the status quo ante will be futile. A savior of the diplomatic game yesterday was the suggestion that the most important suggestion of peace was the suggestion of a peace program as sketched was the offer for lessening of armaments.

This would effectually prevent the restoration of the status quo ante. It is a suggestion notably in line with some of the administration's most notable utterances. In fact it coincides with the policy upon which the Wilson administration has been most consistent both before and since the United States entered the war.

The policy is not exactly pacifism, though Mr. Wilson has been accused of pacifism on these grounds. Rather it represents an extreme aversion for violence and the relegation of the real arms to the place of a last resort.

BLAME UNITED STATES
FOR BLOCKING PEACE

England and America Determined
to Destroy Germany.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Berlin (via London), Aug. 15.—The refusal of the entente powers to grant passports to the Stockholm peace conference shows that England and America are determined upon Germany's destruction. The "Vorwaerts" asserts today.

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This is the first comment out of Germany on the peace conference. While the comment is on another subject, it nevertheless reveals again the German attitude on the general proposition of peace.

FORCE U. S. CITIZENS
TO FIGHT WITH HUNS

No Remedy for Draft of Americans,
State Department Says.

The Department of State has received confirmation of Copenhagen reports that Americans long resident in Germany have been declared to have lost their American citizenship and are being drafted into the German army. The department has instituted inquiries in this regard through the Spanish Ambassador at Berlin.

It was stated at the State Department that the law in question provides that resident aliens must reaffirm their foreign citizenship at least every two years.

The department expressed the belief that little could be done even if the German drafting was working serious hardship on certain persons.

Charges Violation of Rights.

The American Union Against Militarism yesterday sent to the White House a memorandum charging that there have been many distinct violations of constitutional rights in this country since the beginning of the war. In a letter to the President the union submitted alleged evidence.

No Work for Germans When Peace Arrives, Berlin Journal Wails

(By the International News Service.)

Paris, Aug. 15.—Berlin dispatches received here by way of Switzerland quote the All-Deutsche Blatt (Pan-German sheet) as declaring that conditions in the interior of the empire are growing worse.

If the war were to end immediately, the publication says, the soldiers returning from the front would not find work because of the exhaustion of the primary stocks, principally raw materials.

The stores and shops are virtually empty, it is added.

Official Proclamation Issued Giving Hoover the Power of Control.

Authority for putting into effect Herbert C. Hoover's food control program, applied to grain, given yesterday in a proclamation issued by the President.

Predicated on the food and fuel act, the proclamation of Mr. Wilson gives the Food Administration the power to license the storage and distribution of wheat and rye and the manufacture, storage and distribution of all products derived therefrom.

Prior to issuing the proclamation, announcement was made at the Food Administration headquarters of the personnel of the boards which will fix prices and attend to the purchase of grain.

The determination to form a \$50,000,000 Food Administration grain corporation to purchase the entire 1917 crop, if need be, to maintain fair prices, also was announced. Incorporation papers will be applied for today in Delaware.

Simultaneously with these announcements, representatives of the grain and elevator trades of the country met at the offices of the Food Administration and adopted resolutions pledging their aid and support to any rules laid down by Mr. Hoover. The action of the grain men was characterized by Hoover as the "most wonderful piece of patriotism" he had yet seen demonstrated.

Personnel of Committee.

The price-fixing committee contains in its personnel representatives of the producers and the consumers. The men are business men, farmers, and representatives of organized labor.

The committee is as follows: Chairman, H. A. Carle, president of Williams College; Charles E. Barnett, president of the Farmers' Union, Union City, Ga.; William N. Doak, vice president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, of Roanoke, Va.; Eugene E. Funk, president of the National Corn Association, of Bloomington, Ill.; Edward F. Ladd, president of the North Dakota Agricultural College, Fargo, North Dakota; R. Goodwyn Knett, president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Charleston, S. C.; J. W. Shortall, secretary of the National Council of Farmers' Co-operatives, of New York, N. Y.; James W. Sullivan, American Federation of Labor, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; and L. J. Tabor, master, Ohio State Grange, of Barnesville, Ohio; Frank W. Davis, chairman of the Federal Tariff Commission, of Washington; Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, of New York; and Henry J. Waters, president of the Kansas State Agricultural College, and associated with the Department of Agriculture, of Manhattan, Kas.

To Make All Purchases.

The corporation will make all allied purchases of wheat and flour and in this way expects to stabilize prices. It is not intended that the corporation shall buy any more grain outright than is necessary, it being the intention to let the trades take their own course as long as the price of grain, government, the allies and the private consumer are kept down. Agencies will be opened at the principal wheat elevators to carry on its dealing with the dealers in grain.

Should the grain men show a disposition to attempt to put up prices above that fixed by the Food Administration, the corporation will be authorized to appropriate will be sought from Congress and the corporation will take over every bushel of grain in the country. It is not expected that any such drastic step will be necessary, however.

All of the men connected with the grain division have disassociated themselves from the action. Their interest whatever in the grain trade, it was announced, and will give their entire time and service to the government without compensation.

FORD MAKES AEROS
TO STAMP OUT WAR

Noted Pacifist Has Government
Contracts for War Supplies.

(By the International News Service.)

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 15.—"If you help to stamp out militarism, I will gladly do so," said Henry Ford, manufacturer, today.

Ford's factory is making 1,000 airplane cylinders a day at exact cost by a new process for the United States government.

I would be glad to make 1,000 daily cylinders deriving one cent of profit, even at a loss, if by so doing I could ensure a permanent peace and put an end to militarism," Mr. Ford said.

The contract upon which the Ford plant is working is for 2,000 cylinders. Mr. Ford said his company is also engaged in making tractors for Belgium and for the British government.

WHISKY IN MOTOR TIRES.

HERSTOWN, Md., Aug. 15.—The police commissioners here received reports of violations of the law prohibiting the shipping of liquor into dry West Virginia by concealing it in automobile tires. The liquor is poured into the tires and transported to Martinsburg.

RAID IRISH VOLUNTEERS.

Dublin, Aug. 15.—Police and soldiers today raided the premises of the Irish National Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Moore. They seized 100 rifles and 130 rounds of blank cartridges. No arrests were made.

DON'T WAIT TOO LONG, UNCLE!



THAT KIND OF A PET NEVER RESPONDS TO KIND TREATMENT.

Pontiff Yearns for Peace, Cardinal Says in Interview

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND.
(Staff Correspondent of the I. N. S.)

Dealbach, N. Y., Aug. 15.—"His Holiness unquestionably is expressing the yearning and longing that is in the hearts of millions of people," said Cardinal Gibbons when he received me here tonight.

"Aside from that," declared the aged Cardinal, who is remarkably hearty, alert and keen for a man of 84, "I would deem it premature to give any formal expression of opinion regarding the Holy Father's document of peace until I see the text."

"Every rational citizen will acknowledge that the Pope is actuated by lofty, humane and disinterested motives and, therefore, his suggestions deserve to be received with the attention and respect due them."

"Consequently, I have no doubt that the United States government will give to them the profound consideration which they deserve. What ever may be one's individual opinion," His Eminence showed the keenest interest in the Pope's action.

Gompers Says Pope's Action
Will Not Bring End of War

(By the International News Service.)

New York, Aug. 15.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, today declared his belief that the peace proposal of the Pope will not result in ending the war.

"Everything the Pope says must be seriously considered by labor," said Mr. Gompers, "but in my judgment his proposal contains nothing that can be regarded as a foundation for permanent peace. There is not anything in that would insure the world against a recurrence of the war."

"There is only one basis for permanent peace. This is either the abdication of Kaiserism to the democracies of the world, or else Kaiserism much be crushed by the democracies of the world. Until this is accomplished there can not and ought not to be peace."

"We like the German people and as soon as they are in the position they are, we have no feeling against them. We have no feeling against the Kaiser as a man, but only as a Kaiser."

NEUTRALS WORSE OFF
THAN BELLIGERENTS

People of Sweden Facing Winter
with Dread.

Special to The Washington Herald.

New York, Aug. 15.—"The northern neutrals, and especially Sweden, are worse off than some of the belligerents," said Pehr Goesta Norberg, special correspondent of the Swedish Telegraph Agency of Stockholm, who has just arrived at an Atlantic port from Sweden.

"In Sweden it is a question of where the bread for today is coming from. The Swedish people are facing the coming winter with dread."

Mr. Norberg, who is here on a mission for his news agency, said: "The prices of commodities in Sweden have risen from 100 to 500 per cent all along the line. We have been having bread cards since October, 1916. At that time the allowance of flour per capita was limited to 250 grams (about 8.5 ounces) per day. Since then the maximum has been cut down to 200 grams. The government has appealed to the well-to-do to surrender as great a quantity as possible of their bread cards so that the working people may be enabled to obtain an extra supply. The response to the appeal has been general."

"White bread has been unobtainable since last autumn in Sweden, Norway and Denmark are a little better off in that respect."

"Oatmeal is to be got only on a doctor's prescription, like a drug. I had not had a potato in my house for two months until the new crop came in. But the supply of potatoes is very small."

G. A. R. National Encampment
Boston, August 15th to 19th, good results to reach starting point August 25th. Rate all rail, \$18.15, rail and boat \$17.05. Baltimore & Ohio R. R. office, 15th and New York Ave., 819 Pennsylvania Ave., Union Station.

SAYS THAT DENMAN IS "ARROGANT ASS"

Former Shipping Board Chief As-
sailed by Senator Penrose.

William Denman's skeleton was rattled yesterday afternoon in the Senate. Senator Penrose, of California, read a statement in defense of the ousted chairman of the Shipping Board. But Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, called Denman "an arrogant ass" and "a scoundrel."

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Miss Stuyvesant and Miss Greiner received the red-headed treatment when they attempted to leave Cameron House with two fresh banners. Mrs. Florence Morril and Miss Mary left Cameron House without banners but were followed by the mob. They were followed for 50 yards by a jeering mob of 400 to 500 men and boys, the streamers were forcibly pulled from their waists and they were knocked down and abused until a wagon was sent to disperse the crowd.

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Attempts to Create Disorder Re-
sponsible for Declaration.

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"In view of the many kinds of German intrigues seeking to create disorder in China," says a formal statement issued last night, "the Chinese government found it impossible to wait for the convocation of Parliament before declaring the existence of a state of war with Germany, especially since the rupture of diplomatic relations with the Imperial German government had been previously approved by Parliament almost unanimously."

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\$12,000 to Niagara Falls and Return.
Baltimore and Ohio from Washington, 7:45 a. m. August 17. Liberal stop-overs, returning within 15 days.

WAR COST TO BELGIUM.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—German occupation of Belgium has cost the impoverished country in "war contributions" and in destruction, more than \$1,500,000,000, according to the American committee of engineers here. In addition, the Belgian government and the charitable world have contributed \$200,000,000 to feed the Belgian population.

EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR.

ONE, Pa., Aug. 15.—Four men were killed, two injured, and the lives of 100 others imperiled in a glycerine explosion in an oil well near here today.

Kaiser Upbraids Son For "Extravagance"

And Secret Scandal

Amsterdam, Aug. 15.—The correspondent of the Amsterdam Express reports that Prince Leopold of Prussia, figured in a disgraceful scandal, the particulars of which are withheld from the public.

The Kaiser himself administered a vehement upbraiding to the young prince, the dispatch says. A dispatch from Berlin last week said Prince Leopold of Prussia, who is 29 years old, has been raised under the name of relative, as a result of serious offenses. "Extravagance" was given as the main reason.

'SUFFS' BRYGUN
AND 50 BULLETS

Militants Take Measures for
Defense Following Riot

at Cameron House.

Pawn Inspector Nolan reported to police headquarters late last night that Miss Maud Jaminson had bought a 38-caliber revolver and fifty rounds of ammunition and ordered them sent to Cameron House at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

No explanation was given by the suffragettes as to this action, but it is understood that the women mean to protect themselves "if the police do not."

Lack of police protection was severely criticized by the women yesterday afternoon when mobs again stormed the sentinels, tore down their banners and injured a member of the suffragettes. The women claimed that the police stood by "twice their arms folded."

Miss Jaminson made her purchase in a New York avenue hardware store.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels last night issued drastic orders forbidding any enlisted man in the navy or any employee of the naval service from taking part in demonstrations against the suffrage pickets.

The Secretary stated he has no specific information that sailors or seamen have taken part in the rioting, but he enjoins upon every bureau head that he will not countenance members of the Navy Department taking part in unlawful demonstrations or assemblies where men attempt to take the law into their own hands.

Mob About White House.

Unrestrained by the police, a jeering mob of more than 2,000 men and boys yesterday attacked the sentinels, picked, destroyed 50 of their banners and ran riot for three hours in the streets about the White House in the latest demonstration against the suffrage pickets.

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EX-CZAR, WITH FAMILY, IS EXILED TO SIBERIA

Plots for Counter Revolution to Restore
Throne Responsible for Secret Ban-
ishment of Romanoffs.

(By International News Service.)

Petrograd, Aug. 15.—Through the vastness of the Russian steppes northward, a train speeds tonight, carrying Nicholas Romanoff, his German wife, four daughters and the little former Czarevitch.

The former is headed for Tobolsk, Siberia. Just before dawn the former Czar and his family were taken from the prison palace at Tsarskoe-Selo to the railway station by order of the provisional government.

It was an exceedingly mysterious affair, and the mystery is not yet lifted. Until the destination is reached nothing definite will be said.

MAY GO TO VOLGA.

The statement that Tobolsk is to be the new prison comes from the semi-official News Agency. Others say he is being taken to Kostroma, on the Volga, 200 miles northeast of Moscow, the original seat of the Romanoff family.

"We decided to get Nicholas out of the way before circumstances may arise which would make this difficult," said Vice Premier Nekrasoff. "Secrecy was dictated by considerations of absolute necessity."

Plots Reason for Act.

Everyone knows that the chief consideration is one figuring with a counter revolution. There have been more than one sign of late that the "sinister forces" are hard at work planning for a coup as sudden as the march revolution itself.

Gen. Gurko in his intercepted letter to the ex-emperor plainly said he was merely "lying low," waiting for the proper moment to prove his "undying loyalty." Kerenky is a very sick man. He himself said only two days ago that he had not long to live. What may happen when he is claimed by death no one dares to contemplate. But the former autocrat's presence so near the capital was a menace.

No chances were taken. Eleven men were picked out from each battalion of Tsarskoe-Selo's garrison. Each man had been watched for weeks as to his innermost sympathies and found loyal to free Russia and an arch foe of autocracy.

Czar Leaves Garden.

These men guarded the road between the prison palace and the station, near which, on a side track, the exile train waited. Not even the chief of the traffic department of the ministry of communications has been told the destination of the train. His orders were to get it ready and ask no questions.

Just before leaving the palace Nicholas had taken a last walk through the palace garden, where he has been planting potatoes and cultivating flowers. He was seen to be in excellent spirits. He thought that he was leaving his home in a better mood than when he was banished. He seemed more saddened by the former monarch than the mystery and uncertainty of his involuntary journey.

At the time of the revolution Nicholas was the front. On his way back to the capital he was arrested and taken to the Alexandrovsky palace, at Tsarskoe-Selo, fifteen miles south of Petrograd, where the imperial family has since been confined.

FINNS PLAN TO DEFEY
RUSS GOVERNMENT

Landtag to Resume Sessions Despite
Petrograd's Orders.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Helsingfors and Petrograd show an approaching climax in the Finnish situation. The high tension is shown by news of a conflict at the Finnish capital between civilians and Russian soldiers in which several Finns were killed and many wounded.

It is also reported that the Finnish Landtag will ignore the Russian order of dissolution and resume its session this week.

In case of dissolution of the Landtag, the Finnish Socialist party has called upon its members to participate in the new elections under protest to obtain a new assembly with power to frame a new constitution by majority vote, free from Russia.

HOGS BREAK RECORDS
ON CHICAGO MARKETS

Eighteen-Dollar Price Brings Con-
sternation Among Packers.

(By the International News Service.)

Chicago, Aug. 15.—Dispatches from here today. All records for high prices were broken in the cattle, hog and sheep markets, and no relief short of government intervention appeared to be possible.

The price of \$18 per hundredweight was established.

Only 15,000 hogs were offered in the Chicago market, where under normal conditions there would be 30,000. The total offerings in the eleven great hog-buying centers was only 50,000, instead of the normal supply of 90,000. Cattle reached a top price of \$14.90 and many sheep being held for \$15. The record price Tuesday was \$14.60, and on Monday \$14.40.

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